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#### Parish of Bideford

## **Annual Report for 2020**

#### Administrative Information

St Mary's church is situated in Church Walk Bideford. It is part of the Diocese of Exeter within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Mary's House, 9 Church Walk, Bideford Devon.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2020 until the date this report was approved are:-

Team Rector Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore Elected Members David Bertie (from Oct 2020)

John Dare (to Oct 2020)

ev'd Marisa Cockfield

Mary Dendle (to Oct 2020)

Team Vicar Rev'd Marisa Cockfield Mary Dendle (to Oct 2020)
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Other Ministers Rev'd Robin Pirrie Ellie Doe - Treasurer

Rev'd Kevin Beer Lorna Dorrinton – Pastoral Care

Rev'd Alan Glover Richard James
Rev'd Chris Hutchins (from Oct 2020) Richard Holwill

Pam Howlett (from Oct 2020) Moira Mackensie (to Oct 2020)

Churchwardens Ben Duhig Pattie Morris

Chris Hall (to Oct 2020) Maggie Murray (from Oct 2020)
Sue Sparkes (from Oct 2020) Nadine Pearce (from Oct 2020)

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Deanery Synod Reps Steve Roberts

Ros Winter (to Oct 2020) Maggie Murray (to Oct 2020)

In attendance Debbie Crawford (Parish Administrator, Secretary)

### Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission under reference 1129064. Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, or co-opted in accordance with the Church Representation rules.

The PCC operates through a number of committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:-

Standing committee This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the

PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee Oversees relations with external mission and relief agencies and recommends allocations of

grants to the PCC.

Pastoral Care Takes responsibility for the organisation of pastoral care within the Parish

Committee

**Children & Youth** Oversees our work with children and young people. **Committee** 

#### **Objectives and Activities**

Bideford Parochial Church Council has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the parish church of St Mary's and St Mary's House.

#### **Church Attendance**

There are 148 parishioners on the Electoral Roll, which was fully revised in 2020. Due to the exceptional circumstances this year, the church has been closed for several months but when open and with Covid regulations in force the average attendance for Sunday morning services was 40-45...

#### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR**

The PCC met in January and March but then our buildings had to close due to the Covid-19 virus. The PCC met again in September and November using Zoom online meetings, with an average of 80% attendance. We held our APCM online in October with 48 church members attending.

Our Rector, Claire, with the help of Robin who joined us on a part-time basis, Marisa, Alan, Kevin and Chris, who joined us as a curate in August, have coped well to maintain parish life. Online services were offered from April and limited live church services resumed in July. With the help of our churchwardens, and pastoral care volunteers St Mary's has provided online resources, weekly telephone contact, a weekly newsletter, live services as well as social contact with most church members and our church office has remained open. However, our Friday diner, for the homeless and vulnerable had to close together with our Open the Book programme which covers most of the town's Primary schools. Bekah Tanton, our part-time Children Youth and Family team leader, whose contract as CYFTL concluded in December 2020, managed to continue Music Makers and Messy Church online. Our Explore service has ceased.

Looking at MAP, our Mission Action Plan, which sets out our priorities for a 5-year period and gives focus to our work, continues each year reporting to the PCC. The general outcome, even in these difficult times, is encouraging.

Our Appeal "Equipping St Mary's for the 21st Century" saw the completion of the disabled access which has improved the visual aspect of the church entrance and is much appreciated by all who use it.

Our Home and Overseas Mission committee met twice in the year, once live and once on Zoom, and completed the distribution of 2019 funds and 2020 funds.

The PCC wishes to thank all who have helped with the extra commitment of adhering to control measures, cleaning the church and ensuring the safety of church members throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. Our Volunteers numbering some 47 have also contributed greatly to the overall well-being of St Mary's and we thank them wholeheartedly.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The lack of live church services, the adherence of self-isolation for those over 70, postponed weddings plus restrictions on baptisms and funerals has led to a significant fall in income compared to 2019. We are then very grateful to the parishioners who continued to make generous support financially. The new online donate button on our website, the Parish Giving Scheme and standing orders have all helped enormously during this challenging period. The difficulty with the collection of cash, cheques and envelopes continues and all members were urged to use the contactless unit when in church, and either set up a standing order or join the Parish Giving scheme.

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds for the year were £139,986 and are detailed in the financial statements. £142,790 was spent to provide Christian Ministry from St Mary's church, including the

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	******	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL	FUNDS
	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds	2020	2019
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	134,223	25,334	_	159,557	206,227
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	785			785	1,048
Income from investments	2(c)	26	109	-	135	339
Church activities	2(d)	4,952		-	4,952	8,572
Total Incoming Resources		139,986	25,443	-	165,429	216,186
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	142,400	58,496	-	200,896	218,004
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(b)	390		=	390	675
Governance costs	3(c)	<u> </u>			-	-
Total Resources Used		142,790	58,496	-	201,286	218,679
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(2,804)	(33,053)	-	(35,857)	(2,493)
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1 JANU	JARY	96,245	58,771		155,016	157,509
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECE	EMBER	93,441	25,718	_	119,159	155,016

## **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

•	Note	2020 £	2019 £
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	6	70,000	70,000
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Short Term Deposits Cash at Bank and in Hand Total Current Assets LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	7 8	7,683 8,550 37,027 <b>53,260</b> (4,101)	7,595 58,905 21,196 <b>87,697</b> (2,681)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		49,159	85,016
NET ASSETS		119,159	155,016
FUNDS Unrestricted Restricted	9	93,441 25,718	96,245 58,771 -
TOTAL FUNDS		119,159	155,016

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

March

and signed on its behalf by -

Claire Rose-Casemore (Chairman)

Eleanor Doe (Treasurer)

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Incoming Resources

Recognition of income These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

1. the PCC becomes legally entitled to the use of the resources;

2. and inflow of economic benefit is probable; and

3. the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Fundraising costs Funds raised from events and trading activities (e.g. a fete, a garden party or sales of books

and magazines) are reported gross in the SOFA - i.e., before any related costs that may

have been deducted from the gross proceeds

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are included in the SOFA when any pre-conditions preventing their use by

the PCC have been met. For collections and planned giving this is when the funds are received.

**Gift Aid Tax claims, etc.,** Gift Aid and other tax claims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the cash donations to which they relate.

trustees' annual report.

Rental income Rental income from lettings is recognised when the rental is due.

Investment income This is included in the accounts when receivable.

#### Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability recognition Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation and settlement

is probable and quantifiable.

Grants payable without These are recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made externally and performance conditions there are no pre-conditions still to be met for entitlement to the grant which remain within the

control of the PCC.

#### **Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of "charity" by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statements

Moveable church furnishings As insufficient cost information is available these items are not capitalised, but are included in the Church's inventory.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000. They are valued at cost. Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalized cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Land & Buildings Nil \*
 Audiovisual System 5 years

\* No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Short term deposits These include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTA	L FUNDS
	Funds	<b>Funds</b>	Funds	2020	2019
	3	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned Giving					
Gift Aid donations yellow envelopes	91,300		-	91,300	94,030
Income Tax Recoverable	23,819		- 1	23,819	32,170
Other planned giving	6,612		-	6,612	9,455
Collections (open plate) at all services	7,212		_	7,212	10,998
Grants		8,500	-	8,500	38,940
Donations, appeals etc	5,280	16,834	_	22,114	10,634
Legacies			-	-	10,000
	134,223	25,334	-	159,557	206,227
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Printing services	785			785	1,048
	785		-	785	1,048
2(c) Income from Investments					
Interest	26	109	-	135	339
2(d) Income from church activities					
Fees for weddings and funerals	3,814		-	3,814	7,044
Concerts,   Special services	370		- I	370	983
Lettings etc	768		_	768	545
	4,952	_		4,952	8,572
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	139,986	25,443	-	165,429	216,186

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTA	L FUNDS
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church Activities					
Missionary and Charitable Giving					
Church Overseas					
Missionary Societies	4,750	-	- i	4,750	
Relief and Development Agencies	2,500	1,000		3,500	1,152
Home Missions and other Church Societies	6,650	283		6,933	3,165
Secular Charities	2,000	_	_	2,000	417
	15,900	1,283	-	17,183	4,734
Ministry - Common Fund	78,000			78,000	95,015
Ministerial Expenses - Team Rector	611		-	611	2,301
Stipendiary Curate	55			55	761
Children's Workers	2,185	4,040		6,225	17,424
Other	250		-	250	843
Church Running Expenses	16,663		-	16,663	18,202
Church Maintenance	5,706		-	5,706	1,810
Upkeep of Services	2,127	124	7 =	2,251	4,934
Organist's and Choirmaster's Fees	775			775	3,604
St. Mary's House Running Expenses	3,817		<u>-</u>	3,817	2,492
Telephone and Office exp	1,057		_	1,057	240
Major Repairs & Improvements - St. Mary's Church		53,049		53,049	46,340
Administration - Salaries	13,674	•	1 <del>-</del>	13,674	16,323
Printing & Stationery etc	1,580		_	1,580	2,981
	142,400	58,496	-	200,896	218,004
3(b) Cost of generating voluntary income				•	
Printing Costs	390	-		390	675
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3(c) Governance costs	_	_	_	-	_
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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

#### 4 STAFF COSTS

During the year the PCC directly employed an Administrator, a Children Youth & Family Team Leader on a part-time basis. This equates to about 1 full-time employee.

Total staff costs are analysed as follows.

Gross Salaries

Employer's National Insurance & Pension Contributions

Total

2020 £	2019 £
18,887	34,220
656	2,138
19,543	36,358

Reimbursement of ministerial expenses is shown in Note 3 above. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

#### 5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During 2020 the PCC received approximately £24,634 in donations from trustees (PCC members) and their close relatives. The donors did not attach any conditions to their gifts which required the charity (PCC) to significantly alter the nature of its existing activities.

6 FIXED ASSETS FOR	R USE BY THE PCC	Freehold Buildings £	Audiovisual System £	Total £
Cost	At 1 January and 31 December 2019	70,000	22,955	92,955
Depreciation	At 1 January 2019	-	22,955	22,955
	Charge for period	-		-
	At 31 December 2019	•	22,955	22,955
Net Book Value	At 31 December 2020	70,000	-	70,000
		70,000		70,000

 7 DEBTORS
 2020 £ £

 Income Tax Recoverable Sundry Debtors
 3,730 6,298 6,298 7,595

 Total
 7,683 7,595

8 SHORT TERM DEPOSITS	2020 £	2019 £
CBF Church of England Funds		50,080
Bank Deposit Account	8,550	30,022
Total	8,550	80,102

9 ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS	Balance 1.1.2020	Incoming Resources	Resources Used	Balance 31.12.2020
These funds are used in accordance with their designations.	£	£	£	£
Equipping St. Mary's for the 21st Century	50,253	14,118	52,456	11,915
St. Mary's Diner & UCAN	504	348	283	569
Youth Work	3,293	780	238	3,835
Diocesan Contactless unit	139		124	15
Mission and Growth Fund	3,923		3,923	-
Special Collections and concerts	659	1,000	1,659	_
Clock		9,977	593	9,384
Fund Balance	58,771	26,223	59,276	25,718

10 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	70,000	_	=	70,000
Current Assets	27,530	25,718	-	53,248
Current Liabilities	(4,101)	-		(4,101
Fund Balance	93,429	25,718	-	119,147

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO BIDEFORD PCC

I report on the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2020 which are set out on pages 3-6

## Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Independent Examiner

The members of the PCC consider that no audit is required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that only an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

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- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act and
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My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

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